

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<b>Cycle 1</b>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How are the Abrahamic faiths interlinked?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are the foundations of the Abrahamic faiths?</li> <li>2. Who was Abraham?</li> <li>3. From Judaism to Christianity</li> <li>4. The start of Islam</li> <li>5. How do these faiths overlap?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How are the Dharmic faiths interlinked?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How did Hinduism begin?</li> <li>2. What are the core teachings of Hinduism?</li> <li>3. How did Buddhism begin?</li> <li>4. What are the core teachings of Buddhism?</li> <li>5. How did Sikhism begin?</li> <li>6. What are the core teachings of Sikhism?</li> <li>7. How do these faiths overlap?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How can we be inspired by inspirational religious people?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who is Malala Yousafzai? How have her Islamic beliefs influenced her actions?</li> <li>2. Who was Mother Teresa? How did her Christian beliefs influence her actions?</li> <li>3. Who was Gandhi? How did his Hindu beliefs influence his actions?</li> <li>4. Who is Aung San Suu Kyi? How do her Buddhist beliefs influence her actions?</li> </ol>

<b>Cycle 2</b>	<p><b>Big question:</b> What are the core beliefs of the Abrahamic faiths?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How did we get here?</li> <li>2. Why is symbolism important?</li> <li>3. What makes something sacred?</li> <li>4. Why is the Bible so important to Christians?</li> <li>5. Codes of law in religion</li> <li>6. Birth Rites</li> <li>7. Why are festivals important in faith?</li> <li>8. Death rites</li> <li>9. What happens when we die?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> What is the place of religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How does religion divide people?</li> <li>2. How does religion unite people?</li> <li>3. What can we learn today from parables today?</li> <li>4. What do religions teach about looking after the planet?</li> <li>5. Can science and religion ever agree?</li> <li>6. Case study: Humanism</li> <li>7. Case study: Jehovah's Witnesses</li> <li>8. Case study: Jainism</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> What is happening with religion in the wider world?</p> <p>All scholars will study these 2 key questions at the start of the unit of work:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How religious is the UK?</li> <li>2. How religious is Leicester?</li> </ol> <p>The rest of this topic is centred around studying current issues within RE that are prevalent in the news. The topic is a 'live' topic that will be changed each year, depending on the religious news at the time.</p> <p>The academic year 2022-2023 have studied questions such as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How does war impact on religion and religious people?</li> <li>2. What is the religious plight of the Uighurs?</li> <li>3. Should religious dress be a universal human right of its own?</li> </ol>
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<b>Cycle 3</b>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How do we know what we know?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What does it mean to be moral?</li> <li>2. Am I an absolutist or a relativist?</li> <li>3. What is Divine Command Theory and how can it be challenged?</li> <li>4. What is deontological moral theory and how can it be challenged?</li> <li>5. What is utilitarianism and how can it be challenged?</li> <li>6. What is Natural Law and how can it be challenged?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How do experiences within faith, influence its believers?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How do people experience God today?</li> <li>2. What was the experience of Joseph within Judaism?</li> <li>3. How are miracles experienced in Christianity?</li> <li>4. What was the experience of the Night of Power in Islam?</li> <li>5. What was so powerful about the experiences of Siddhartha Gautama?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Big question:</b> How do we answer statements effectively in religious education?</p> <p>In this topic, scholars will be using their knowledge from previous topics to explore in depth how to put together an argument in RE. They will study 3 statements and write 3 answers to learn how to perfect their writing style.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Statement 1 “To be inspirational, you must be faultless”.</li> <li>2. Statement 2 “Parables are the most important teachings for Christians”</li> <li>3. Statement 3 “Religion divides people more than it unites people”</li> </ol>
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